



THE HICKMAN COURIER.



In the Team that Pulls the Commercial Wagon up the Hill of Success. The Courier has a Spunkin' Gold Team. Grease the Axle of Your Wagon, Old Man, and Let's H'ck Up.

YOUTHFUL NO. 97
ELDEST TAYLOR IN WESTERN KENTUCKY

HICKMAN, FULTON COUNTY, KENTUCKY, FRIDAY, DECEMBER 13, 1907.

WHOLE NO. 2907
ESTABLISHED IN THE YEAR 1800

By All Means, Sensible Gifts This Year!

During this season of financial stringency and natural inclination toward economy, every condition favors the general abandonment of the practice of giving absurd and wasteful presents. The public mind is now ripe to see the good sense and real benefit of giving and receiving useful articles. Read the articles below and you will find something that will be appreciated by every member of the family:

Men's and Women's Handkerchiefs.

There is an almost endless variety of styles, sizes and qualities. An early selection will be the best designs. Men's pure Linen Handkerchiefs with neat hemmed borders, a most acceptable present can at each 25c Men's silk Handkerchiefs, plain and fancy various sizes and qualities at 25c to 1.00 Men's plain white and colored bordered handkerchiefs 10c and 15c Women's white all pure Linen hemmed handkerchiefs, plain and embroidered borders, various sizes and qualities at 10c and 15c Women's lace and embroidered Handkerchiefs, hemmed and scalloped edges, a royal assortment at 25c and 35c Women's pure Linen cross bar and figured handkerchiefs, the latest novelties at 35c Women's lace and embroidered Edge Handkerchiefs in a large variety of patterns. These are 10c 30c and 50c

Xmas Umbrellas For Ladies and Gentlemen.

You never saw a prettier line of Holiday umbrellas than we are showing. We have them in all colors and silk, serge tops, with plain or pleated handles, of wood and bone for men, and pearl with gold trunnions for ladies. \$1.50 to \$10.00 \$1.50 to \$5.00

Stylish Back Combs, Bags and Belts.

Always creates a demand for the girls in such articles, and we have tried to meet such a demand—a new and unique line. Combs and bags in all the new styles and sizes, plain and mounted frames, strap and leather, alligator and black seal leather, gold and gunmetal finish, some fitted with small purse and glass, at 50c to 75c. Combs both plain and fancy, mounted and unmounted. The prettiest collection ever shown. Prices 25c to \$1.50 the newest novelties in silk, leather and black and colors 25c to \$1.50

Christmas Slippers for Men and Women.

The spirit of Christmas pervades our beautiful showing of Julies, Nullifiers and House Slippers of every kind and description. We have a large and varied assortment of many and novel designs, styles that you will find in any other store. We advise that you see your selections early before the are broken.

Men's Comfy's, Julies and Nullifiers, per pair \$1.25 to \$2.00 Men's Comfy's, Nullifiers and Slippers, per pair \$1.40 to \$2.00

Ladies Fine Shoes.

"Dorothy Dodd" and "E. P. Reed" makes these names on any shoe stand for style, comfort and wear. We have them in Patent vic and gunmetal leathers, all perfectly and beautifully made. The patent leather is the best grade. Button Blucher and lace styles, with medium and swing toes. Prices \$2.50 to \$4.00



For a Man's Christmas

YOU know how difficult it is to pick out the right Christmas presents for a man; even if you ask him, he can't tell you what he wants.

There's a way to suit him perfectly; buy his Christmas presents in a man's store where men's things are sold; the store where he buys his own stuff when he wants any.

This is the store for it; you'll find us prepared to show you the right things for any man's Christmas; you may be the man yourself.

How would a Hart, Schaffner & Marx fine suit or overcoat do? Say, at 18.50 to \$25. Possibly you would prefer one at a little less price. We have a great stock of medium-priced clothing at \$5 to \$15 for suit or overcoat. A little unusual as a holiday gift, but all the better for that, maybe.

You'll find a great wealth of lesser things here, of course: things men want, need, constantly buy for themselves.

Fine neckwear, cuff and shirt studs, scarf pins, gloves, hose, handkerchiefs, smoking jackets, collars, shoes, slippers, fine hats, etc., etc.

If you don't know his size, and you can't find out without "giving yourself away" we'll exchange anything you buy that doesn't fit, for something that does.

You can come pretty near suiting a boy here, too; boys like men's things especially. And if it's a boy's suit, we know one of the 'Perfection' make will please him.



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Useful and Appreciated Presents.

For Ladies and Girls

a Cloak or Furs. Dress or Waist Pattern. Handkerchiefs or ties. Art or Table Linens. Belts, Bags or Combs. Umbrellas or Parasols. Art Squares or Rugs. House Slippers or Slippers or Shoes. Knit Shawls, Fascinators, Gloves, Hose, Trunks, Pins, Hand Bags, Suit Cases, &c.

For Men and Boys

a Suit or Overcoat. Suit Case, Bag or Trunk. Neckwear, Gloves, Handkerchiefs, Scarfs, Cuffs, Shirts, Collars, Trousers, Shoes, House Slippers, Umbrellas, Sweaters, Hats, Caps, Underwear, Half Hose, Cuff Buttons, Scarf Pins, Smoking Jacket, Fancy Vest, &c.

Suit Cases, Bags and Trunks

Nothing is more suitable for a gift or more appreciated than one of the above articles.

Suit Cases in fiber, genuine and imitation leather, cloth or leather lined. Prices \$1.50 to \$12.00

Trunks, either metal or canvas covered, round flat tops with metal trimmings.

Prices \$2.25 to \$15.00



SMITH & AMBERC,

Hickman's Leading Store



Santa Claus Suggests

One of These For a
Suitable
Christmas Gift

At THIS STORE you can find appropriate presents for every member of the family. Read this list of suggestions, and make your selections early!

S U G G E S T I O N S



For Women.

Cleaks
Skirts
Dress Goods
Shoes
Collars
Belt
Bag
Combs
Fancy Pins
Cut Glass
Japanese Ware
Hand Painted China
Victor Talking Machines
Bowls
Cups and Saucers
Bon Bon Dishes
Pictures
Toilet Set
Many other articles

Work Box
Jewelry Box
Box Paper
Lamps
Set Dishes
Water Set
Knives and Forks
Spoons
Rug
Handkerchiefs
Hosiery
Fancy Plates
Vases

For Men

Suit of Clothes
Hat
Shoes
Neckties
Handkerchiefs
Shirts
Half Hose
Collars
Cuff Buttons
Suspenders
Umbrella
Smoker Set
Shaving Set
Victor Talking Machine
Many other articles which we
haven't space to mention

Overcoat
Cap
Shotgun
Razor
Pocket Knife
Stick Pin

Collars

Collars

Cuff Buttons

Suspenders

Umbrella

Smoker Set

Shaving Set

Victor Talking Machine

Many other articles which we
haven't space to mention

For Girls

Cloak
Dress
Hosiery
Handkerchief
DOLLS
China Dolls
Bisque Dolls
Dressed Dolls
Kid Body Dolls
Sleeping Dolls
All kind of Dolls and
Doll Furniture
Doll Buggies
Doll Cradles
TOYS
Tea Sets
Toy Kitchens
All Kind of Toys
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For Boys

Out of Clothes
Overcoat
Hat or Cap
Shoes
Necktie
Toys
Toy Wagons
Toy Train
Toy Automobile
Toy Tool Sets
Toy Guns
Toy Plates
Inse Toys
Tin Toys
Women Toys
And all Kinds of Toys
Victor Talking Machine

FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY

And The Greatest Gift of All
"The Perfect Gift"

For the Joy of one is
The Pleasure of all--is the

"VICTOR"
TALKING MACHINE

Prices \$10 to \$100



Sousa and his band, Pryor's Band the
U. S. Marine Band, the Royal Marine Band
of Italy--the greatest military bands in the
world play for you on the

VICTOR

They play just as grandly on the "easy
payment" plan, as if you paid
cash
down in a lump sum. And we
are glad to accommodate you.



ELLISON BROS., Hickman Ky.

Few Here Know This.

When an eminent authority an in the Scranton (Pa.) Times at he had found a new way to treat Rheumatism, a disease, Rheumatism, and common, every-day in any drug store, the were slow indeed to attach importance to his claims. This was only a few months ago, nearly every newspaper in the country, even the metropolitan announcing it and the results achieved. It is so simple that any one can prepare it at small cost. It is made as follows: Get from any good druggist a Pharmacy Fluid Extract of Sarsaparilla, one-half ounce; Camphor, one ounce; Camphor, Sarsaparilla, three drams. Mix by shaking in a bottle and take two spoonfuls doses after each meal and at bedtime. These are simple ingredients, making a harmless home remedy.

Rheumatism, as every one knows, is a disease of the kidneys, a disease produced by the action of the kidneys to properly retain from the blood the water and other matter which is excreted, either in the urine or the skin pores, remains in the body, decomposes and forms a mass of muscles, causing great suffering and deformations.

This prescription is said to be a curative, and invigorating to the kidneys, and gives immediate relief in all forms of rheumatic troubles and headache. He also warns people in the New York paper against the use of patent medicines.

Have you heard about Star Biscuits? They are the best sold and the guaranteed. Ask your grocer. More Biscuits, Agent, your money if not satisfied.

Who has the C. C. he wanted? He will move some time in a few days, vacate the McCutcheon residence, he is to vacate has been some time. Who will want?

Eat bread that is made in Hickman and is made by one of the best bakers in the United States. The shop is open for inspection by any one who wants to see something nice and clean. Patented Home-made Bread at the Cafe.

Getting Better.

He has at last got in line with the system, and is fast closing in on recovery. The number of those that are in the twelve counties to have closed their doors. Of the largest number of saloons, 100, in Williamson county, the largest number in a town, were closed at Jackson. Jackson county lost 17, Perry county 25, at DuQuoin, Pulaski, Randolph county 3, Union and Williamson counties at Herrin.

Passing of time until the strike our neighbor, Cairo, will be a respectable

Children's

White Virgin Vermilion, a white and an whitish dress, and attire in which they look like a picture. They are in a healthy condition. Young says that he has a new line of children's wear. The doctor thought it had been caused by "cowpills" drug store, a kitten.

State Line.

Mary Curran has a severe case of appendicitis. Maddox was in Union City Saturday.

Dr. J. B. Burris is quite ill at his home.

See Maddox, of Terrill, Tenn., was here on business Saturday.

H. E. Curran attended Masonic Lodge at Union City, Friday night.

Dr. J. B. Burris, of Woodland, spent Sunday with B. G. Brasfield and family.

J. M. Lynn visited his brother-in-law, Lee Maddox, at Terrill, Tenn., Sunday.

H. E. Curran, of Hickman, spent Saturday night and Sunday with his parents near here.

Terrie Maddox and Nick Holman, of Hickman, were callers at Woodland, Sunday afternoon.

Coal men predict a scarcity of coal. Better prepare in time.

Gasoline for sale at the Courier Office.

Honeymoon Special.

Final plans have been perfected for the famous "Honeymoon Special," which will depart from Chicago Dec. 18 for thirty days of billing and cooing and goo-gooing, especial facilities having been provided for Dan Cupid to boss the luxurious train. This decided novelty in railway transportation is to be inaugurated by the Northwestern, the Southern Pacific and Union Pacific lines.

Efforts will be made to confine the entire passenger list to newly wed, but reservations are being accepted from married couples who still love each other and have never taken the honeymoon trip. The idea originated in the fertile brain of S. A. Hutchinson, manager of the tourist department of the Northwestern and Pacific roads. Mr. Hutchinson is a roly-poly and a fair representative of Cupid. For years he has observed with anguish the fact that newly wedded couples are made the butt of much fun and frequent annoyance on their wedding trips.

Hence the "Honeymoon Special," upon which they can do just as they like without and coarse jokes or other interference on the part of outsiders. The train itself will be the finest ever equipped. There will be a Christmas tree, an unusually fine Christmas dinner, holiday carols and a concert in the library car and the celebration of several birthdays.

Verily, this is a great age

A dose of Tarpine saves nine of the other kind, for coughs

Another Report.

J. M. Wilson, of Palmetto, Ky., writes as follows: "Received in the Hickman Courier, under the heading of 'Hickman Bridge Lost' that a government official had been to Hickman looking for the bridge and could not locate it. Hickman Bridge spans the Kentucky River, 22 miles south of Lexington, where the pike from Lexington to Danville crosses the river, and was guarded by soldiers during the war. A part of my regiment was there during the summer of 1862.

If you can communicate these facts to the official, they may lead him 200 or 300 miles nearer the spot — J. M. Wilson, late Capt. Co. A. 18th Ky. Infantry."

Beware of Ointments for Catarrh that Contain Mercury.

an ointment will entirely destroy the sense of smell, and completely derange the whole system when entering it through the mucous membranes. It is never to be used except on prescriptions from regular physicians, as the damage done to the system is probably irretrievable. Hair's ointment for managing catarrh, No. 1, contains no mercury, and is taken internally. It is a salve, and is applied to the mucous surfaces of the system. In buying Hair's ointment, be sure you get the genuine article, and not the fake in Toledo, Ohio, by P. J. Cheney & Co. Testified by all druggists. Be safe and take Hair's Family Pill for constipation.

Storm Passed.

A Union City bank prints in one of their local papers the following bit of optimistic news:

"Why did it come? who knows? Like a thief in the night it was on us without warning. There was a cause, many causes, but we didn't care for it. It hurt us as well as others, but it didn't scare us, why should it? Our bank was safe, solid, sound as the everlasting hills. It couldn't break us; all the money gamblers in Wall street can't do that. The storm has passed, confidence restored and nobody seriously hurt. We have done our utmost during the trying days of the last few weeks to accommodate everybody."

The thing the people would like to know is whether or not banks have resumed payment of checks on deposits. It's a cinch any bank ought to be safe and solid as long as they take in money and never pay out any.

That's It!!

ough you're bitten a lot of sores and those sores won't get out well. If you will only try a bottle of Hallard's Compound Ointment you will think of the past. It is a positive cure for sores. It will not grow old and it will not cause any trouble. It will convince you at your druggists, the Dr. Hallard, sold together with a fine bottle, fine, and Hallard's Balsam.

To The Advertiser.

As the Courier will go to press on the earlier news, we are important that all copy, for advertisements are in this office as early as possible. If not in by Tuesday noon, we cannot insure publication. Remember, it will also be the last Courier for 1907, and will be mailed on Dec. 19.

Our line of coffins and caskets is one that prepares us for all emergencies. Right treatment is our motto. — Farmers Hardware Co.

Mark Hotchkiss, of Arlington, was here Saturday to see Charles Hotchkiss, who has been quite sick.

Christmas Money Must be Wisely Spent This Year!

And there's no better way to spend it than for the useful things here suggested; so get ready to do your Xmas Shopping!

BEST VALUES in the BEST APPAREL ...AWAIT YOU AT OUR STORE...

Supply your PERSONAL needs RIGHT NOW; when you can have FULL STOCKS from which to select and PLENTY of TIME to get just what you want. The Christmas rush is going to be GREATER THAN EVER and begin earlier, because of the late "financial flurry" which "held things back a little." So now's YOUR time! Tomorrow! This Week! We are ready to take good care of you.

MEN'S Suits, Overcoats and Raincoats; BOYS' and YOUTHS' Suits, Overcoats, Reefers and Raincoats, with ALL THE BEST of standard things and plenty of exclusive novelties.

The FURNISHINGS, HAT and SHOE departments teem with good things, from which it will be A REAL PLEASURE TO YOU to have first choice. And you know YOU'LL NEED THESE THINGS BEFORE LONG, if not right now, so why wait to buy them?

CHRISTMAS will be here before you know it, and we can happily solve many of your GIFT PROBLEMS in our lines of

**Smoking Jackets
Fancy Waistcoats
Latest in Neckwear
Fine Silk Umbrellas
Silk Handkerchiefs
Fancy Hosiery, Sweaters, Gloves,
Silk Mufflers, Suspenders,
Bath Slippers, Fine Leather Suit Cases
Hand Bags, Etc.**

**BALTZER
&
DODDS**





Serviceable Gifts For Christmas



We have a complete stock of furniture of every description that will make serviceable as well as ornamental Christmas Presents, and would be pleased to have you look through our stock before making your Xmas purchases. We have a beautiful assortment of Rocking Chairs, Couches, Parlor Tables, China Closets, Chiffoniers, Wardrobes, Desks, Library Tables, Sideboards, Book Cases, Iron Beds, Princess Dressers, Bedroom Suites, Kitchen Cabinets, &c., and in fact many articles that will interest holiday buyers. We would be pleased to show you through our stock, whether you care to purchase or not. And we extend everyone a cordial invitation to come and see what we offer. Open every night until 8:30.

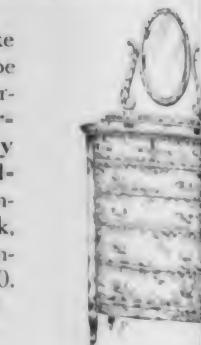


Hickman Furniture Company.

Incorporated.

HOME FURNISHERS

TELEPHONE NO. 20



McCreary on Bryan.

Senator McCreary has given his views as to the Democratic Presidential nomination to the Washington paper as follows:

"I think Mr. Bryan will carry the Democratic National Convention and will be nominated by acclamation. And I think that he should receive the nomination. Mr. Bryan is the strongest man in the party today.

"He is not only the most popular man with the people, which means much, but he is also the man who has always advocated those things which are needed for the general welfare of the country. In the first place, Mr. Bryan advocated, as far back as 1896—when he first ran for the presidency—the regulation of railroad rates. The Republican party has seen that this legislation was necessary, and has regulated rates. In the second place, Mr. Bryan is an advocate of arbitration for the settlement of disputes between capital and labor. The Republican party has shown that it, too, believes in such measures.

"Mr. Bryan has advocated the prosecution of trusts, and the Republican party has prosecuted trusts. Mr. Bryan has always favored an income tax—has, in fact, regarded such a measure as necessary for many years. Now the Republican party—er, at least, President Roosevelt—is thinking seriously of such a tax. Last of all, Mr. Bryan is in favor of a revision of the present tariff, as are many of the Republicans throughout the country.

"Mr. Bryan will carry Kentucky, I am sure, by 15,000 votes, and he will certainly receive the support of the State in the national convention. When I cannot speak for the rest of the South, I am convinced Mr. Bryan is the strongest candidate in the other States as well."

You can get the nicest line of Fruits, Candies and Cigars at Jones' Cafe.

On account of a break-down in our press room, the Courier was gotten out under difficulties this week, and we ask our readers to excuse any short-coming of this issue.

Telephone No. 4—Moore's Grocery on the Hill—for groceries. Prompt delivery to any part of the city.

A. S. Rosedale has been on the sick list, but is better now.

More new groceries at Moore's new store.

Dr. McKeel returned to Mayfield last week, after several days' visit to D. B. Wilson and family.

Wants Investigation.

If financial pirates and speculators who are part of Wall street are responsible for the present financial panic, Representative John Wesley Gaines of Tennessee thinks Congress should know it. Who caused the panic and who started it are other things that Congress should know, he believes, in order to frame remedial legislation. To find out these facts he offered a resolution in the House, directing the speaker to appoint a commission of seven members "with full power, and whose duty it shall be to make a full and complete investigation of the causes which produced the present panic, where it started, who began it and has, its or their reasons, and to what extent the operations of the stock exchanges in New York city were a cause."

Why not patronize the Home Bakery when you can get Bread, Pies and Cakes that are always good.

Jones' Cafe.

Congressman Ollie M. James was one of the speakers at the Bryan banquet in Washington a few nights ago, and when he got to the capital he found that the station agent at Marion, Ky., his home, had billeted his dress suit to Washington, Ky., instead of Washington, D. C. To find a ready-made dress suit in Washington that would fit Ollie was like looking for a needle in a haystack, so he had to pass up the "glad rags" and speak in his gray working suit.

Jones' Celebrated Bread, Cakes and Pies are the best.

Last week we said that the Fulton County Medical Association elected Dr. S. W. Luten secretary and treasurer. Dr. Luten was elected President and Dr. L. P. Baltzer, Secretary and Treasurer.

Compared with Handbills.

A newspaper has 5,000 readers for each 1,000 subscribers. A merchant who puts out 1,000 handbills gets possibly 300 or 400 people to read—that is, if the boy who is trusted to distribute them does not chuck them under the sidewalk. The handbills cost as much as a half-column advertisement in the home paper. All the women and girls and half the men and boys read the advertisements. Result! The merchant who uses the newspaper has 3,500 more readers. There is no estimating the amount of business that advertising does bring to a merchant, but each dollar brings somewhere from \$20 to \$100 worth of business—Albion Mich. Evening Recorder.



NUTTING.

By Byron Williams.

Our Republican temporaries have been asked in the past to give us their views on "Reform and prosperity," will they please tell us some of the whys and the whehows of the present Republican panic?—*Washington Star Herald*.

Buy your Fireworks from Jones' Tel. No. 90.

Judge Remley returned to Columbus, A. S., last Thursday. Mrs. Remley will probably be home about the 1st of the year.

Bennie Hughes, has been down with fever, is daily improving.

On the way to the port of New York, the *Forrestal* will demonstrate its wireless telegraphy. An equality of speed will be shown for a distance of 100 miles. All of the nation's wireless stations will have wireless.

Place your order for Oysters, Celery, Fruits with Jones' Cafe. No. 90.

The newest piano you can buy, the *Standard*, at Montgomery's.

Holiday Goods

As Christmas time is drawing near, while our stock is fresh and complete you had better buy early to make good selections.

Handkerchiefs.

Ladies handkerchiefs, hemstitched and fancy edge with monogram and small cross-bars.

Ladies handkerchiefs, beautiful embroidered fancy and hemstitched edge.

All linen hemstitched white handkerchiefs, each

All linen, very narrow hemstitched, initial handkerchiefs.

Mullin, narrow hemstitched, initial, ladies handkerchiefs

10c per dozen

Gloves.

Ladies long kid gloves, 12-button, per pair

\$3.00

Ladies short kid, patent chisel, thumb in colors of brown, black and blue, per pair

\$1.25

Ladies, childrens and misses golf gloves, in all colors, ranging in price from

10c to \$1.00

Dress Goods.

The seasons most popular dress goods, consisting of serges, panamitas, mohairs and mullings in colors of blue, brown, red, gray, black and plaid.

25c to \$1.00

A beautiful line of ladies' hats in the latest models, silver, prices from

Linen.

16-in. all-just-right sheer quality, 4c

Napkins—all pure cotton

15c per dozen

Satin damask—per dozen

House Slippers.

Ladies felt sole 12c, slipper, flexible, 12c

Collars.

Ladies stocks and hose newest shapes 10c

Ruching.

Ruching in sea and white, each

Tourist ruching 10c per card, per carl

FUQUA, HELM & CO.
HICKMAN **KENTUCKY.**

Courier Want Ads bring buyer and seller together. One cent per word.

THE A. S. OF E. COLUMN

BY JAS. H. SAUNDERS—

"Ten men, all living in Chicago, possess a powerful party of life or death over the people of the United States. This power is due to control over the two staffs of meat and bread, with an auxiliary grip on many other articles of prime necessity indispensable to man. These men own the big packing plants of Chicago, which fact becomes significant when it is stated that they are all directors of the same corporation—the National Packing Company, organized under the laws of New Jersey, with a capitalization of \$15,000,000. The latter concern was organized as a holding company, after the Government, through Judge McCampbell's court, enjoined the old meat trust from carrying on business in restraint of trade. Since then they have been more defiant and powerful than ever, and the Government is now taking steps to see if this latest combination can be broken up. These ten men, more powerful than those driven out from early Rome and Greece, have absolute control over these three things, among a large list of others."

"The price of meat to all consumers."

"The price of cattle to all breeders."

"The price of leather to all factories."

"The price of grain is controlled through wide interests and thus, as incidental, the price of bread. With our taking in the details by which the trust controls the price of the farmers' fertilizer, the government has already found out through its agents that this half-score of men actually monopolize the essentials of life—bread and meat."

"Like the old Roman triumvirate of Caesar, Anthony and Octavius, a handful of men in Packington have brazenly divided the world among themselves. Germany and France are given to Armour, Swift and Cudahy; Great Britain is assigned to Morris, Armour and Swift; the British colonies to Morris and Cudahy; America to all six companies. Russia to Armour and Swift, and other countries to preferred corporations. Each company enjoys a monopoly in its territory which enables it to win there, nobody being allowed to rob its victims but itself. It is amazing and would be incredible but that we have it on the assurance of Government officials who are investigating

these astounding transactions. On a month ago the big ten at Chicago served notices on wholesale meat dealers that all meat, except pork, were to be advanced three or four cents a pound, which has been preceded by a success of some sort this year, with prospects that there will be others. Thus it will be seen that this small coterie has the power to arbitrarily raise prices whenever it desires. There is no question of supply and demand, needs of the market or other commonplace of economics. Prices are put up automatically, just as a carpenter turns a wrench, just as a builder gives his screw another whirl."

"The Government's contention is that the big ten at Chicago have raised the price of necessities of life to the consumer and made no corresponding increase in the price of food material, and it is upon this line that the most interesting trial in the country is now being planned. When the 'Ten Men of Money Island' decide upon the price to be paid for cattle, that settles it, according to the Government's information. All of the other corporations in the country, with a few unimportant exceptions, bow to the wishes of the ten leaders who have their grip on the food markets of the world. It was only by an inside quarrel over division of territory—of a falling out among thieves, that the Government was enabled to get the particulars of this conspiracy against the human race. The 'squarers' let the cat out of the bag, and the Government may at any time break up this modern edition of the 'Den of (less than) Forty Thieves,' which is ready to be written up in the new Arabian Nights."

"The people had about come to the conclusion that as the trust the Standard Oil was the limit. There could be nothing meaner, nothing greedier, nothing more mysterious, nothing more rapacious, nothing more complete as a machine for wholesale robbery. But the articles dealt in by the Standard, while useful, are not really necessities of life. We can makeshift to do without any of them, but we can't do without the articles dealt in by the tyrannous ten. We can live without kerosene, without gasoline, without lubricating oil. But we can not live without eating. We must have bread and meat and we must have them to wear. The Standard Oil has us by the pocket; the Ten Tyrants have us by the throat. Like Joseph in Egypt, by cornering all the food supplies they may eventually force the people to give up, first,

their money, then their land, and, finally, their liberties. Rome was free no more after the triumvirate of traitors took charge. Nor can the liberties of this country survive if a few pirates like the Standard Oil are allowed to filch a billion dollars clean money from the pockets of the people in eight years, or a still meaner gang is allowed to grip us by the throat and name their price for all the food that passes between our lips."

The above is from the American Farmer. If it is published in the interest of any special society or Farmers' Union we are not aware of the fact. But it only shows what we have always argued that the Government never will break up the trusts. This must be done by the farmers themselves if it is ever accomplished. We regret the trouble in our society, but this should only make us work harder. While our officers differ in regard to the best methods of controlling the price, it shows that more farmers and more farm papers teach that it must be done, or the common people must submit to the trusts.

Why not give me your order for all kinds of Fancy Cakes Jones' Cafe.

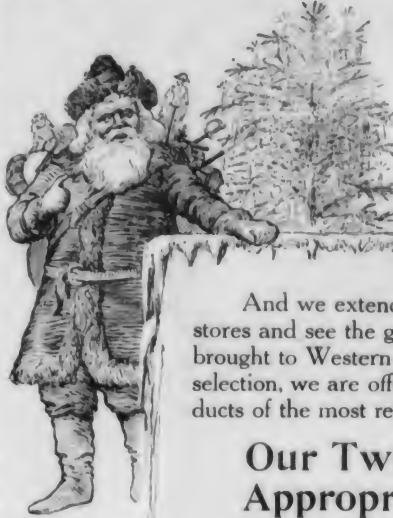
The National Bank of Commerce, of Kansas City, Mo., one of the largest in the west, with deposits of about \$17,000,000 closed its doors Thursday and was taken in charge by a national bank examiner upon an order of the Controller of the Currency. Later three small banks in which the Bank of Commerce was interested, also closed.

When the Stomach, Heart, or Kidneys get tired, then these organs always fail. Dr. Shoop's Drugstore, not stimulate the Heart or Kidneys. That is simply a makeshift. Get a prescription known to Druggists everywhere as Dr. Shoop's Restorative. The Restorative is prepared especially for these weak invisible nerves. Strengthen these nerves build them up with Dr. Shoop's Restorative—tablets, or liquid—and see how quickly help will come. Free sample test sent on request by Dr. Shoop, Racine, Wis. Your health surely is worth this simple test. Sold by all dealers.

If you have a "weakness" for beautiful things, you will want one of our new bed-room suites—Montgomery.

"Ring of Rough Earth" TABERNACLES

CHRISTMAS GOODS ARE HERE...



And we extend you a cordial invitation to visit our stores and see the greatest stock of Holiday Goods ever brought to Western Kentucky. In addition to the best selection, we are offer the latest and most reliable products of the most reliable manufacturers. You will find

Our Two Big Stores Full Appropriate Xmas Gifts

It is utterly out of the question for us to attempt to enumerate the articles we are showing. Only a personal inspection will give you any idea of our immense stocks. You will find that they abound in Originality, Merit and Good Taste.

We place at your disposal appropriate gift for the entire family. Prices will be found extremely low considering quality.

ARTICLES FROM 5¢ TO \$75

BERENDES, The Xmas Store!

Jones' Cafe, the only place in town to get everything to eat, always clean.

The Unde seller at the Farmer's Hardware Co., will answer your calls promptly, day or night.

Governor Weds.

Mr. Union City, has the following the home of the Tennessee. This happened Thursday afternoon, Malcolm R. Patterson's marriage to Miss Mary Miller, daughter of Mr. W. H. Gardner, and sister W. W. Russell and Fred of Louisville. The marriage was a very quiet affair, and the ceremony at the last day was arranged, a bowl of chrysanthemums, a bunch of which was a wedding bell of the same. At the close of the ceremony of white chrysanthemums, vered the happy couple.

Thomas M. Jones of Columbia, the bride, held the hand of the guests to the Memphis and Nashville almost filled the large

bridal party came in carriage, Robert Gord, Mrs. Ark, and Miss Swig, and, sang "Oh, Fair and Holy" and "My Dear" air was played as the low stairs and during

Walter Foster, of Birmingham, brother-in-law of Gov. came in first, and was the maid of honor, Miss Gardner, sister of the bride, came in with his law. Mr. LeMaster, of Memphis, while his bride came in the arm of her father. This was a most impressive ring being used.

He was attired in a handsomely traveling tailored steam lace waist, with hat and carried a shower bouquet, a large white chrysanthemum.

more lovely bride has ever given Union City, and the showers of congratulations and good wishes were certainly sincere.

Two special cars came from Nashville, bringing many prominent persons, state officials and the governor's staff, many women from the capital's select social circles and the governor's pretty daughter, Miss Sarah Patterson, a school girl.

The presents displayed in the parlor, were the handsomest ever seen here, one especially offered a magnificent chest of silver, given by the state officials and a loving gift from his staff. The cut glass,

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BIG CUT PRICE SALE!

IN the face of the biggest season of the year we are going to offer an opportunity that we have never offered before. An immense stock of goods suitable for Christmas presents to be sacrificed at a great discount. Our capital reason is that our stock is unusually large and very soon we will take inventory. To reduce this stock it must be sacrificed. Come early and get the best selections. Merchandise that makes suitable presents, and presents that will be appreciated by those to whom they are given. We mean to give Bargains. Nothing reserved. Goods will be reduced to such extent that will make this the BIGGEST CUT PRICE SALE of the year.

Every article described below means money to you. We are determined to sell the goods and you get the benefit. Read every item carefully



Men's, Suits

Nice Suits and nice Overcoats very desirable to present to your father or brother or friend. We have beautiful selections and in this sale you can buy them at half price, really great bargains in lothing. We must reduce this stock regardless of prices.

7.50 Mens suits, sale price	3.98
10.00 " "	5.98
12.00 " "	6.98
15.00 and 17.50 Men's Suits, sale price	8.98
20.00 Mens Suits, sale price	12.98
20.00 and 22.50 Men's Suits, black, sale price	13.98
25.00 Men's Suits sale price	15.98

Shoes For Men.

2.00 good heavy and dress shoes	1.48
2.50 dress shoes, sale price	1.98
3.00 and 3.50 dress shoes, sale price	2.48
3.50 and 4.00 heavy and fine dress shoes	2.98
4.50 and 5.00 fine dress shoes, sale price	3.98
5.00 and 6.00 high top shoes, "	1.98
6.00 and 7.00 Stacy Adams Shoes "	4.98

Youths' Suits

6.50 Youths Suit, long pants, sale price	3.98
8.00 " "	4.98
10.00 and 12.50 " "	6.98
15.00 and 16.50 " "	9.98

Hope Domestic	10c
Brown Domestic	5c
Nice Gingham	5c

Sale begins Saturday Dec. 14
and Closes Tuesday, Dec. 24

Petticoats.

3.50 value, as good as silk, all colors	1.48
2.50 value, fine quality, black only	1.48
1.50 value, fine quality, black only	98c
9.00 " " " blue	5.98
2.00 " " " light plaid	9.98
18.00 " " " "	7.98
9.00 " " " light	3.98

Ladies and Misses Coats.

16.50 fine Coat, 50 in. g black and brown	9.98
5.00 & \$10.00 " " " "	5.98
9.00 " " " blue	5.98
2.00 " " " light plaid	9.98
18.00 " " " "	7.98
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Notions.

85c Ladies Handkerchiefs, sale price	7c
25c " " " "	19c
15c " " " "	9c
10c " " " "	5c
5c " " " "	3c
50c nice line of Back Combs sale price	90c
65c " " " "	90c
75c " " " "	47c
15c Ladies Hose, black, sale price	9c
25c " " " "	19c
35c " " " "	22c

Hats for Men

1.50 and 1.75 nice dressy Hat, sale price	98c
2.25 " " " "	1.48
3.00 " " " "	1.98
3.50 and 4.00 " " " "	2.48
5.00 John B. Stevens " " "	3.48

Ladies and Misses Shoe.

4.00 nice patent leather shoes, sale price	3.24
3.50 " " " "	2.98
3.00 " " " all leathers	2.28
2.50 " " " "	1.98
2.00 " " " dress shoes	1.48
1.50 and 1.75 heavy winter shoes "	98c

Linen department.

Nice Things for Christmas Presents.	
75c pure Linen Table Cloth, white	48c
50c " " " "	29c
50c red Linen Table Cloth, sale price	29c
75c nice large Linen Towel per pair	48c
60c " " " "	44c
50c " " " "	38c
15c 4 cotton towels per pair	8c
25c " " " "	19c
1.50 large Bed Spreads sale price	98c
2.00 " " " "	1.39
2.50 Lace Curtains 3 1-2 yds long	1.68
2.00 " " " "	1.48
75c all wool Shawl, sale price	48c
35c " " " finest made	1.9c

Cotton and Wool Blankets.

7.50 all wool Blanket, sale price	4.88
6.50 " " "	4.38
5.50 cotton Blanket, sale price	3.48
1.50 " " "	1.28
75c " " "	48c
30c heavy Bed Ticking "	22c
30c heavy Bed Comfort sale price	1.18
1.25 heavy Bed Comfort, sale price	.89c

Dress Goods.

Good Calico - - 5c

12.1-1 and 15c Outing Flannel, sale price	8c
10c Outing Flannel sale price	6c
12.1-2 and 15c Dress Suiting sale price	10c
10 and 12.1-2c " "	8c
12.1-1c Dress Parcels sale price	7c
15c Dress Parcels sale price	10c
12.1-2c Plaid Dress Goods sale price	12c
15c Plaid Dress Goods sale price	15c
50c Serge " "	2c
1.00 " black only	4c
1.25 Broadcloth, all colors sale price	5c
65c all wool Flannel Dress Goods sale price	35c
35c " " "	25c
1.25 yard wide black Taffeta Silk "	5c
1.25 " " " brown and blue Taffeta Silk	5c
30c white wool Flannel sale price	12c
30c " " "	12c
35c gray " "	22c

Furnishings.

25c nice silk necete, sale price	1c
50c " " "	.9c
75c " " "	48c
35c nice suspenders, "	1c
35c " " "	24c
1.00 nice Mens Kid Gloves, sale price	75c
1.25 and 1.50 " " "	98c
1.25 and 2.00 " " "	1.48
10c Mens half hose, sale price	8c
15c " " "	10c
25c Mens half hose "	19c
40c Mens half hose "	24c
2.00 nice suit case, sale price	1.48
2.00 " " "	2.08

There are thousands of other articles in this department, very desirable for Christmas presents, we have no space to mention, however, they are here for you and prices slashed in two.



Men's Overcoats

7.50 Nice Heavy Overcoat	4.88
12.00 and 14.50 Nice Heavy Chambrey	8.98
16.50 Nice Heavy and Light	10.98
17.50 Fancy Paris, sale price	12.98
20.00 " " " and Worsted Paris	14.98
3.50 and 5.00 Mens Pantaloons, sale price	2.00
5.00 and 6.00 " "	3.00
New lot of Boys' Kite Pants	1.50

Men's Work Shirts

44c Mens working shirts, sale price	24c
60c and 75c Mens working shirts, sale price	36c
60c and 75c Mens dress shirts, sale price	40c
1.00 Mens dress shirts, sale price	1.25
1.25 " " "	1.25

Ladies Underwear.

3c Ladies Vest, heavy, sale price	1.48
65c " " "	48c
35c Misses Union Suits	24c
65c Ladies " "	48c

Children's Suits

2.00 and 2.25 Childrens Suits, two piece	1.48
2.75 and 3.00 " " "	1.48
3.50 and 4.00 " " "	2.48
5.00 and 6.00 " " "	3.48

Salesman and Sales ladies wanted. Apply at once.

Naifeh Bros. Dry Goods Company.
HICKMAN, KENTUCKY

This great sale will begin Saturday, December 14, and continues Monday, Dec. 16, Tuesday, Dec. 17, Wednesday Dec. 18, Thursday Dec. 19, Friday, 20, Saturday, 21, Monday, 23 and Tuesday, 24. Nine Days of Bargains. Come and see the greatest displayment of merchandise at bargain prices we have on display, so keep this in mind and come to the big sale. We will close Friday, Dec. 13, to mark down goods.

Our New Governor.

Wilson took the governor at 12:08. The oath was administered by Justice O'Rear, who was there with the largest crowd gathered in an inauguration, Gov. Wilson's Kentucky's thirty-eighth.

It began to fall during the morning and by 10 o'clock of snow was falling.

The procession headed by the Parade and a

band, followed by the Kentucky Military Institute, Muhlenburg Institute, and Gov. elect Wilson, were followed by the State officials-elect. The marching organizations were marching in a procession of length.

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Mrs. Chas. Fultz has returned to her home in St. Louis after an extended visit with her parents. Mr. and Mrs. John Kiser

Statistic shows that fair-haired people live longer than those who have dark hair. When Cotton & Adams do a job of tin work it outlasts either one of them.

Ladies' Christmas Handkerchiefs at 5c to 75c in our show window—Balzer & Davis.

Mrs. Lucena Bivley, of Louisville, is visiting her son, Mrs. R. E. Miller, this week.

Gasoline at the Courier Office.

AMERICAN BEAUTY CORSETS



DAINTY AS THE FROG
Before you consult your dress-maker buy this new suit you should see us and purchase an AMERICAN BEAUTY CORSET.

Your gown worn over one of these corsets will greatly enhance your personal charms.

And these corsets are not expensive, only

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HICKMAN, KENTUCKY.

Courier's Home Circle

TALK WITH YOUR MEN

"There is always room enough up higher," said Webster, and so there is. It's better to be a first-class boxer than a third class lawyer. There is more pleasure and satisfaction in it and more money. It is not the "good trade" that makes men rich, it is the good and unbroken trade. Some would be poor all their lives and yet work at the best trade known to man, they don't understand it and they never will. They toil on, hoping for success, when the work is in direct antagonism with their whole being.

We do not believe in giving up the ship until we know it must go down but, if we had found, after commencing a work that's wholly unfit for it, we had better try some other. All men were not born with the power to perform the same work. And yet, it is necessary that we spend a lifetime in a fruitless endeavor to find that place. If we knew ourselves we shall know our mission if we not, perhaps it is inevitable ours.

We care not how much a man may study and experiment, if mechanism is not in his head it cannot come out. You cannot grow pumpkins on squash vines.

Young men, study yourselves, choose your work, and if it satisfies you move on. Bid defiance to all obstacles. Don't surrender to phantom, they will ever challenge you, fight it out on some line "if it takes all summer." Our boats are headed up the river, and just as sure as we drop the cars so sure will we float down. Keep rowing.

This is becoming a wonderful world. Everything is done by steam pressure. When the great Atlantic cable was being lowered it was on all tongue as the greatest project the world had ever known, and he who was possessor of an inch piece of the twisted wire was rich in riches. Now, however, it is not so. There is a thing. The ship is not one center of attraction, but in a few years that too will move into the shadow of some mightier scheme.

The most foolish thing in the world is said to be "to bow to the rich till you are unable to stand erect in the presence of a honest man."

SPELLING SCHOOLS.

We should like to see the old-fashioned spelling school once more in vogue in every school district. Good spellers, now-a-days, are so rare that they are indeed exceptional. They are not abundant among collegiates,—mores the pity—and in the intermediate grades of students they are few and far between. In nine-tenths of the letters received by any establishment having letter communication with a large number of the people, errors in orthography are remarkably frequent.

This is a sad comment on our system of the primaries. It calls for some new educational effort, some system that shall awaken new interest in the particular branch allotted to. The best we know of is the old one whose revival we now advocate. Not that it teaches all in connection with orthography which the young ought to know, but that it adds a peculiar zest to the study. With the many helps which the scholars of today possess over those a generation ago, they should be far ahead in the original study of orthography. That there are not due to the comparatively dry manner in which orthography is taught at the present time in all sections of our country.

A dictionary is not, on the whole, very fascinating work for continuous perusal; no more is a speller and teacher of smaller dimensions. A spelling school, on a winter evening, with the excitement of "choosing sides," and a final measurement of syllabic lances in "spelling down" or even an hour devoted to the same, of an occasional afternoon, when recitations flag and a lively impetus is wanted, will tell to capital advantage. Try it, you teachers in the rural districts, turn to your fellow teachers in the town districts, who believe that to prepossess such an

Notice.

Please see me before selling your corn.

I am offering good prices. Immediate sales solicited.

GEO. M. BRADBERRY.



and see Helm & Elison's Post Cards! Best line in the city.

A special line of Christmas cards. Come early and get your choice of the lot.

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antient custom would savor of ingenuity, and say to them with the emphasis of your experience — thou and do likewise."

If you would know a man's true character, see him in his family.

The luckiest man is he who makes his luck by careful forethought.

HAVE YOU ENEMIES.

Go straight on and don't mind them. If they get in your way walk round them regardless of their spite. A man who has no enemies is seldom good, but when he is made of the kind of material which is easily worked that every man has a nail in it. A sterling character is one who thinks for himself and speaks what he thinks; he is always sure to have enemies. There is no necessity to be afraid of them; they keep him alive and active, a celebrated character who was surrounded by enemies used to remark:

"They are sparks which, if you not blow, will go out of themselves."

"Live down prejudice," was the Iron Duke's motto. Let this your ruling principle, endeavoring live even the scandal of those who are against you. If you stop dispute, you do but as you desire, and open the way for more abundant opportunities. Good men are always a reaction if you perform but your duty, and hundreds who were once alienated from your will find to you and acknowledge their error

and take no other.

To check a mud quickly, get from your druggist some Candy Cane. A Tablets called Preventions. Druggists everywhere are now dispensing Preventions, for they are not safe, but deceptively certain and prompt. Preventions contain no quinine, no laxative, nothing harsh or sickening. Taken at the "energetic stage" Preventions will prevent pneumonia, bronchitis, La Grippe, etc. Hence the name, Preventions. Good for feverish children. 48 Preventions.

John Bull figured out that this country has been successful in 82 per cent of her battles, and Cotton & Adams have been successful in 90 per cent of their jobs of the work

Drowns Near Fulton.

Arthur Adams, aged eighteen years, son of L. Adams, a well known farmer, of near Fulton, was found dead about a deep mud hole in the road about one mile from his home. The boy had been driving a new horse wagon, and it is supposed that he fell into the hole and was so stunned that he drowned.

CERTAIN RESULT.

Many a Kentucky Citizen knows of Doan's Kidney Pills in Kentucky. There is no question of their value in the testimony of citizens. Such evidence should convince the most skeptical sufferer. Read the following statement:

Mrs. L. Varalli living at 935 Fifth St., Louisville, Ky., says: "I am happy to say that Doan's Kidney Pills have been of great benefit to me and to other members of my family. I frequently had attacks of backache and Kidney trouble before using your remedy but after using two boxes of the pills the troubles were entirely cured. I have recommended Doan's Kidney Pills to a great many of my friends for I attribute my present good health to the use of Doan's Kidney Pills."

For sale by all dealers. Price 50c each. Foster Milburn Co., Buffalo, New York, sole agents for the United States.

Remember the name—Doan's—and take no other.

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Early to Bed

It is the habit of some people to laugh at the terror which is experienced by others at the heavy thundering crash or the flashing lightning. This is both cruel and wicked, since the victim is no more to blame for it than for the color of his eyes and hair—in fact, like them, it is often hereditary. Such persons should be pitied and soothed, and allowed during these periods to be always near some one whom they love and confide in. More especially is this true if children, some of whom suffer more from colds and can tell from time to time as other children do, from what is the cause of their trouble. Deal gently with such; it is the only way to eradicate their fears, ridicule and harshness will only confirm them. The child "afraid of the dark" should never be enforced to encounter it unattended and unwatched. Idiocy has often been the sad result of contrary treatment. Let both parents and teachers, then, be thoughtful in these regards.

The true manner of the worth of amusements is to try them by the effect on the nerves and spirits the day after. True amusements ought to be, as the word implies, restorative, restituatory, that refreshes, turns out the dross, rests the body and mind and gives cheerfulness and alacrity to our return to duty.

What's

worth doing is worth doing well. If you wish to be cured of tuberculosis, gain the doctor's attention and you will be well. The doctor's name is Dr. W. G. Williams, of Louisville, Ky. Dr. Williams is a man of great personal ability. He gave the best of attention to his patients and had a fine record. He died in 1900.

No career, however noble or exalted it may seem to him, will truly bless him who follows it, unless he carries it into it the spirit of truth, justice and love. Then, all business is sacred, and all life is religion.

Trial Catarrh treatments are being mailed out free, on request, by Dr. Shoop, Racine, Wis. These tests are proving to the people without a penny's cost—the great value of the scientific prescription known to druggists everywhere as Dr. Shoop's Catarrh Remedy. Sold by all dealers.

B. K. Kimberlin, one of our readers on route 3, orders his paper seat and Fulton, route 2. Mr. Kimberlin has purchased a farm in Weakley county where he will reside in the future.

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Be careful to refrain from this tempting violation of the law.

Must Make Good.

Montgomery Reed and Miss Maggie Bohannon were married in the circuit court room Thursday afternoon at two o'clock by Judge E. Crossland and a room full of people.

Reed was only during the present term of circuit court sentenced to ten years in the penitentiary on an ugly charge preferred by his new wife, who was then under 16 years of age.

Reed was discharged from the custody of the jailor but Judge Burg announced negatively that he should fall to make a faithful husband, he would be brought back to jail and the sentence imposed on him. The new law is that he must live with her three years.—Mayfield Messenger.

Hickmanites should remember that Uncle Sam does not permit them to write yule tide sentiments, such as Merry Christmas, Etc., and enclose with presents sent at third and fourth rates. The fine is \$10. Be careful to refrain from this tempting violation of the law.

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